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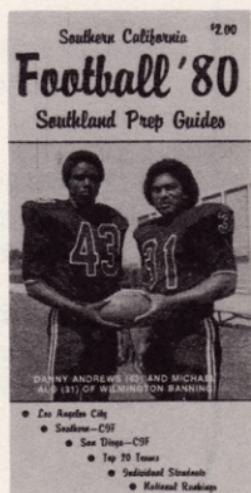
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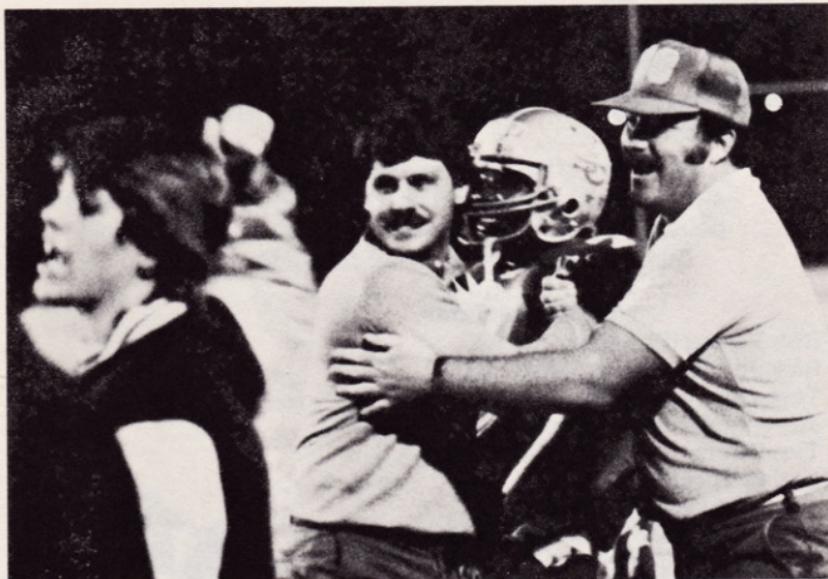
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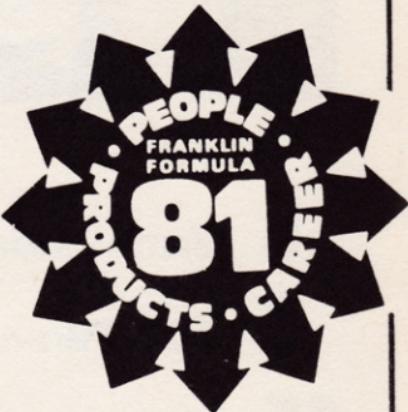
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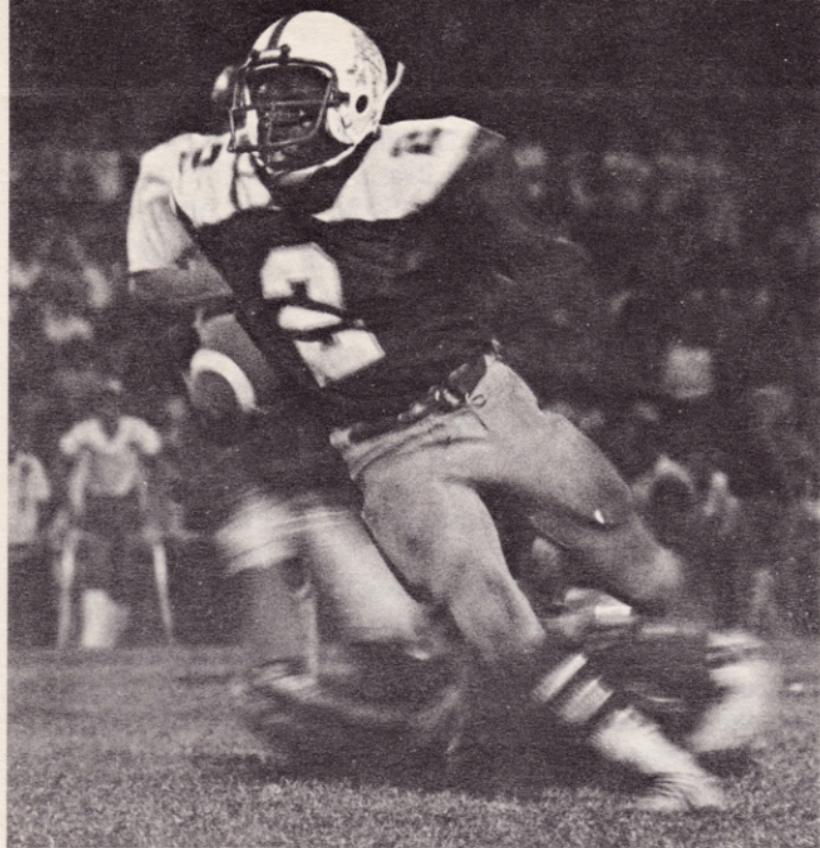
Top 20 Teams

Jesse Parker, Mesa Mt. View

1 **MESA MOUNTAIN VIEW . . .** There's good news and bad news in the Arizona prep ranks this season. First, the bad news: 1) Mt. View is loaded. The Toros return 15 lettermen from last year's 8-3 club which lost to Tempe in a wild playoff game in November. But that was a rebuilding year, although one Central Division coach stated, "Mt. View doesn't rebuild they reload." Such is the case with the winningest football team in the state since 1976. In Jesse Parker, Mt. View may have the best football coach in Arizona. His teams have won 85% of their games since the school opened. They have not lost a league game in the AAA Central Division since joining the circuit in 1978. They are 20-0 in games that count. They have not lost a game at home. Now for the good news: 2) Mt. View will play this season for fun. Their schedule will not surpass 10 games. Due to violation of Arizona Interscholastic Association bylaws, teams from Mt. View and Chandler will not be eligible for the playoffs. This is good news for Central Division foes only. They won't have to worry if the Toros happen to blitz them during league play. And Parker has the horses to do just that. In Richie Edwards(6-0,170), Mt. View has one of the best signal callers in the school's history. Last fall Edwards was the Toros' free safety. Gary Porter(5-9,170) is another gifted athlete who will see action at defensive back and running back. With Scott Standage(6-1,175) playing split end and handling the punting chores, Mt. View has another sure candidate for all-league honors. Then there's Scott Baker, at 6-2, 200 the biggest Toro on the squad. Baker lines up at tight end and is a good one. Steve Porter(6-0,185) and Steve Kempton(6-2,195) are top-notch linemen, with Kempton doubling at middle linebacker. And the smallest Toro of all may be the most dangerous, 5-8, 150-pound halfback Mike Patrick. "This could be one of our better teams," predicts Parker. "We were very disappointed last fall when we lost in the playoffs after going undefeated in league play. We were good enough to beat McClintock, but lost early in the playoffs." Mt. View doesn't lose very often. Since their doors opened the Toros have gone 4-3-1, 9-0, 13-1, 10-1 and 8-3. For what it's worth, Poston Junior High, one of Mt. View's feeder schools, has won 41 games in a row. Overall, Parker is 94-34-3 since starting at Phoenix Camelback in 1969. He has won two Class AAA football championships, one each at Camelback and Mt. View. His unbeaten 1977 team was declared Arizona Independent champs. He will win his 100th game this year; his .734 winning percentage is one of the best in the prep ranks. His teams are never big, but always quick, well drilled, disciplined and hit like gladiators. He has coached only three major college blue-chip prospects since 1969, but his teams blitz schools which send players to places like Arizona State, Arizona, Brigham Young, Stanford, UCLA, California and Notre Dame. His teams traditionally play well in "big games." Coaches in Arizona won't have to worry about that until 1982 . .

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TUCSON SUNNYSIDE . . . The Blue Devils should again be the team to beat in the Old Pueblo. Last year Coach Paul Petty's legion of football players marched through Tucson like Sherman did through Georgia. They scored more points and covered more real estate in 13 games than most college teams. Sunnyside averaged 51.9 points during 10 regular season games, 45.8 after a crushing 38-14 loss to McClintock in the Class AAA semifinals. Big, fast and talented, the Devils found themselves ranked as one of the Top 20 clubs in the nation in September, and almost went all the way. Gone is All-American halfback Fred Sims, who took his state AAA rushing record (2,017 yards) to the University of Oklahoma. However, 24 lettermen, including eight starters, are back in force, plus members of a perfect JV squad which averaged 40 points per game. Coach Petty plans to play "super sophs" John Bracy (6-2,225) and Martin Carrizosa(6-2,200), both defensive tackles. Still, the most impressive returner is halfback David Adams, at 5-9, 165 the most exciting runner in Arizona. With 4.4 speed in the 40-yard dash, Adams managed to rush for 946 yards as a junior. On just 74 carries he averaged 12.8 yards per clip, and was sensational on punt and kickoff returns. "Believe it or not, he is faster now than he was last season," insists Petty. First team all-state defensive back George Duarte(5-10,170) also returns, along with split end Jon Horton(6-2,190), guard Joe Hernandez(5-11,205) and tackle David Valenzuela(6-0,245). Danny Carrizosa(6-3,190) will share the QB position with junior Mike Smith(6-0,170), who doubles at defensive back. Steve Duarte(5-10,200) and Ed Zedaker(5-11,170) should start at linebacker, with Mike Papuyo(5-10,205) anchoring the line at center. Adolfo Ortega(5-11,200) and Rick Foster(5-10,225) are additional linemen with good size. More runners and receivers include Murphy Kittrell(6-1,180), Shawn Pou(6-1,180), Kevin Davis(6-1,190), Phil Godoy(5-10,165) and Albert Hernandez (5-10,170). Petty himself has coached in the Arizona prep ranks for more than 20 years. His 12-1 mark in 1980 gave him a 125-63-6 career record. But the game everybody remembers most was his last one, an embarrassing loss to McClintock's Chargers in Tempe. Sunnyside, ranked No. 1 in Arizona at the time, committed six turnovers, 17 penalties for 162 yards(three for roughing the kicker) and more mistakes in one game than the whole season combined. "There is no way we could have won with all the mistakes we made," Petty said afterward. "It was a bad way to end the season." McClintock advanced to the finals, where they steamrolled Phoenix Trevor Browne for Coach Karl Kiefer's second state championship in four years. "Sunnyside seemed a bit undisciplined and that's why they got all those penalties," said Kiefer after ending the Blue Devils' season. "We played like a championship team. We got the breaks and were able to take advantage and score. That's what it's all about when you get to the playoffs." This season Sunnyside players and fans are hoping the Blue Devils can reach the playoffs again . . . and play like a championship team.



The best back in Arizona is only 5-9, 165, but he's dynamite: David Adams, Tucson Sunnyside.

3 **TUCSON AMPHITHEATER** . . . The Panthers, state champs in 1979, dropped off to 7-3 last season. Coach Vern Friedli had things rolling in high gear before Sunnyside nipped his club in a physical battle at Sunnyside in October, played before 8,000 fans. Six starters return, and those six could be the key to Amphi's return to the playoffs. The Panthers will again be big and strong on the line, quick and talented at linebacker. Each year they send grads into the college ranks, and this season should be no exception. The best interior lineman appears to be tackle Phil Rogers(6-3,235), an all-city performer who runs 40 yards in 4.8 seconds. Center Jim Millsap (6-1,215) is also an honors candidate. Then there's safety Conlley Smith(6-2,185) and linebackers Robbie Lieurance (6-1,205) and Karl Gregor(5-10,190). All five, plus the rest of the Amphi student body, are looking forward to their rematch with Sunnyside, this time at Panther Field.

4 **PHOENIX TREVOR BROWNE** . . . The Bruins almost reached the top in '80, falling to McClintock in the AAA title game in Tempe. Coach Bill Mitton returns 21 players from last year's 11-3 club, and like previous TBH squads they will be big and strong. Biggest of the big linemen include Randy Larsen(6-3,205), Mike Pomeroy(6-2,240), Gary Hilburn (6-0,220), Ralph Federico(6-0,220) and junior Al Kessel (6-1,240). Now if the Bruins can just filter in a few skilled players to go along with all that beef, they could be in the thick of the title race again. Help must come from Don Brees, Victor

Harris, Mike Tressler, Dean Lavilla, Joe Vasques, Mike Gutierrez, Carlo Sierras, Mike Meek, Darin Tupper, David Woodruff, Frank Fuentes, David Moreno, Scott Lavine, Scott Mulcock, Rex Bahm and Phil Villela. Tupper, at 5-11, 205 appears to be the Bruins' ace.

5 **MESA** . . . No high school in Arizona has won more football games than Mesa High. Since statehood in 1912, the Jackrabbits have won 429 games, tops in the prep ranks. Better yet, at least 25 teams have won eight games or more. Nine have won state championships. Last fall the Rabbits posted a 5-4-1 record after finishing runnerup to Tucson Amphi the year before. Coach Ben Arredondo looks forward to a good campaign, with an improved passing and running game. In QB Chris Stanfield, Mesa may have the best passer in the AAA Central Division. In tackle Brian Denton(6-6,230), they may have the best lineman. Seven starters return for '81, including talented players like LB Andy Damon(6-2,195), DE Paul Hodges(6-1,195), DB Shawn Benson(6-0,180), RB Junior Flores (5-6,140), RB Kelly Poole(5-10,160), DT Jerry Gilliam(6-2,190), RB Rich Shervhiem(5-11,170), DB Salomon Dena(5-11,180), TE Pat Smith(6-1,195) and TE Brent Webb(6-1,185).

6 **GLENDALE APOLLO** . . . The Hawks keep knocking on the title door, and one of these days they may get in. They finished 8-3 in 1979 after falling to Tucson Amphi in the semifinals; last fall they went 10-2, stopping after a crushing defeat handed down by McClintock in an early round of the playoffs. New coach Rudy Pacheco, who guided Glendale into the playoffs last year, takes over at Apollo with nine experienced starters from that near-perfect club. Larry Lopez(5-10,186) was a first-team all-state nose guard. Brother Jerry(5-10,185) was All-Skyline at linebacker. Three additional seniors who could land all-division honors are QB Brock Heathcote(6-0,170), DE-TE Terry Payne(6-1,175) and FB-LB Vern Fielding(6-0,180). Yes, it again appears that the Hawks could rule the Skyline.

7 **TUCSON CHOLLA** . . . For the first time in history, Tucson Cholla appears in a *preseason* Top 20 poll among Class AAA schools. Coach Ed Brown returns eight starters from an 8-3 club which reached the playoffs. Missing is Vance Johnson, one of the most talented athletes in Arizona last season. Now at the University of Arizona, Johnson was one of the two best halfbacks in the state last fall. Not only did he rush for more than 1,000 yards in 1980, but last spring was the best sprinter in the state and the second best long jumper in the nation. He sailed 25-8 in the Golden West Invitational in Sacramento in June. But the Chargers won't miss Johnson if running back Reggie Callaway lives up to his potential.

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Callaway, at 6-0, 185, runs 40 yards in 4.6 seconds and joined Johnson on Cholla's state champion 400-meter relay, clocking 42.3 in the Class AAA finals. Then there's Wendell Bush, one of the top defensive backs in Tucson as a sophomore. Bush picked off 10 enemy aerials in 1980, and at 6-2, 175 with 4.7 forty speed he could match that feat in '81. Joining Bush in the secondary will be the quickest(4.5) Charger on campus, Allan Gray(5-10,165), who also doubles at running back. If "defense wins titles" in all sports, Cholla fans will be happy with tackles Harry Switzer(6-1,210) and Joshua Martin(5-11,210), back for one more year. Most opposing coaches spoke highly of both as juniors. But it's Callaway and Gray who will make the Chargers' veer really go.

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TEMPE UNION . . . Besides McClintock, Trevor Browne and Sunnyside, the fourth member of the "final four" last year was Tempe High. The Buffs were one of only two clubs to beat state champion McClintock, nipping the Chargers 33-30 in a thriller in early September. Things look



Loose against Marcos de Niza: Tempe's Ricky Carias.
(Tempe Daily News photo)

good for THS this time around, for three reasons: 1)Exactly 21 lettermen return from a top-notch club which fell to Trevor Browne in the semifinals, 2)RB Ricky Carias is one of them, 3)OT Jim Warne is another. Carias, not big(5-10,155) but quick and shifty, busted the 1,000 yard barrier as a junior. Warne, at 6-6, 250 one of the biggest linemen in the state, may also be one of the best. The Buffaloes came awfully close last season, but not as close as 1971, when All-American QB Fred Mortensen almost pulled the upset of the decade against Tucson High.



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9 **TUCSON SALPOINTE . . .** This could be the year! The year Coach Ed Doherty fields his best team ever at the Catholic school in Tucson. Last fall Salpointe breezed through a near-perfect 10-2 campaign, giving Doherty an 80-28 won-loss mark in the Arizona prep ranks. It's difficult to compare teams, but this fall's squad could be the strongest since 1971, when Salpointe was the only team to beat nationally-ranked Tucson High. Speedy Joey Rowley(5-7,155) will be the Lancers' top running back, while tough Tomas Almazan (6-0,200) is their premier lineman.

10 **TEMPE McCLINTOCK . . .** The best won-loss record in Class AAA football in the past 15 years belongs to McClintock. The Chargers have won 133 games and lost just 37, an impressive .782 winning mark. All 133 victories were coached by Karl Kiefer, who watched his Chargers win their second state title in four years last fall. McClintock blitzed all four opponents in the playoffs, blasting rival Marcos de Niza 56-0, Glendale Apollo 31-3, top-ranked Tucson Sunnyside 38-14, and Phoenix Trevor Browne 34-7 in the finals. Their stunning rout of Sunnyside was so impressive that the state finals with Trevor Browne was almost anti-climatic. The Chargers popped the light bulbs on a couple of other scoreboards, crushing Coronado 42-0, Yuma 75-0 and Chaparral and Chandler 42-0. The defense was so sticky that 11 foes scored one touchdown or less. The secondary picked off a school record 32 enemy passes. But that was last year, and this time around the going could be tougher, with only one returning starter: TE-LB Tom Casey(6-3,215). Sixteen Chargers who suited up for the playoffs are back, including skilled players like Dave Donahue, Mike Coffinger, Bob Hamm, Ted Gould, Mark Millbranth, Richard Solar, Thom Peck, David Davenport, David Smithers and Dave Kathe. Linemen include Pat Kylar, Toby Babina, Charlie Montez, Bill Toon and David Hill, to name a few.

11 **PHOENIX THUNDERBIRD . . .** Mike Clark has left Thunderbird for Mesa Dobson, and Lee Bolen has moved in from Independence High School. The Chiefs finished 7-4-1 last fall, and Bolen has six of the strongest players on campus back for 1981. In fact, Thunderbird just may have the best offensive line in the Skyline Division. At least they appear to be the biggest and strongest. Their stats are impressive: OT-DT David Newport(6-1,240), OT-DT Joe Jose (6-3,250), OT-DE Mark Pirog(6-2,210) and OT-DT Kevin Barker(6-2,220). Speedy(4.7) signal caller Fred Lulla(6-1,175) can also play in the secondary. The real challenge for the QB slot could come from junior John Murphy, at 6-3, 200 the most impressive looking player on the team. Big for a quarterback, Murphy runs 40 yards 4.8 seconds, getting this gift from his father, Tom, a state sprint champion(9.7, 21.4) at Phoenix Washington in 1967.

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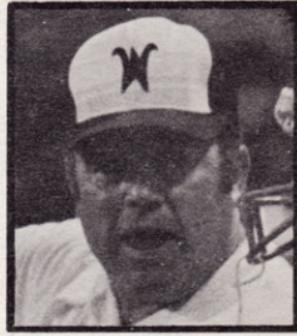
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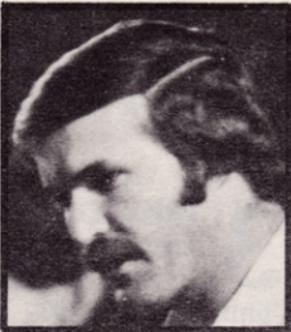
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PHOENIX MARYVALE . . . The Panthers dropped off to 4-6 last fall, but a good group of juniors and better overall quickness should make this season better for second-year coach Buck Hall. More than one dozen injuries doomed Maryvale's chances last year, so if the Panthers stay healthy, it could be bad news for Phoenix Division foes. Two linebackers and a tackle get high grades from Hall: Kevin Phillips(6-0,190), Mitch Belles(6-2,200) and giant Jim Guymon (6-2,270). Maryvale coaches also have good things to say about deep back Mike Sullivan(6-0,165) and QB Russel Isham(6-1,160). If Isham performs as expected week-after-week, the Panthers could be back in the playoff picture.

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PHOENIX WASHINGTON . . . Coach Dave Swerdfeger knows what it's like to compete in the playoffs.

It was Swerdfeger's team which battled Tempe McClintock for the 1977 AAA championship. The Rams, led by QB Mike Pagel(now at Arizona State) lost a thriller to the Chargers, 14-9. Since that December night, Washington has averaged eight wins per season, going 8-3 last fall. With nine starters back this could be Washington's best club in four years. But Swerdfeger warns, "We did much better than expected, but we still need to develop a quarterback, find a defensive secondary and build an offensive line. But we could be OK!" The Rams' ace in the hole is halfback Brent Wood(5-10,190), younger brother of University of Arizona player and former all-stater, David. Wood carried the ball 220 times for 1,052 yards (4.7 average) and landed all-league honors. He runs 40 yards in 4.7 seconds. Tight end Mike Bechtold(5-10,180) covers the same distance in 4.9 seconds and is considered a top-notch player. So are three interior linemen who helped pave the way for Wood's 1,052 yards: guard Nick Ong(6-0,190), center Jim Careno (6-0,200) and tackle Gary Carter(6-4,220).

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SCOTTSDALE CORONADO . . . It was probably the longest season in Coronado High School history. No, the Dons didn't make the playoffs, as they usually do. They won only one game in three months. "I have no comment about last year," says Tom Dahl, who took over the head job in 1977 after CHS won the 1976 Class AAA title. "We have an excellent group of young athletes this fall. We have a very bright outlook." No kidding! The Dons are rich in football tradition, always fielding competitive teams, and this year should be no exception. Believe it or not, exactly 16 starters are back, giving fans a hint of how young the Dons were last year; they weren't experienced and they weren't healthy. Key to the Dons' aerial attack will be junior Drew Siler, at 6-2, 175 the third baseman on Coronado's baseball team. Siler, like all CHS skilled performers, runs 40 yards in 4.7 seconds. The key to the Dons' running game will be Scott Bucher(6-0,195), a hard-nosed

runner with 4.6 speed. Tight end Frank Rudolph(6-3,210) may be the best at that position in the Central Division. A gifted athlete, he runs the 40 in 4.8 and pitches for Roy Coppinger's baseball team. Slot back Mike Rogers(6-1,185) scoots along at a 4.7 clip, while FB-LB Todd Cooklin(5-9,185) is a real blocker and defensive stalwart. Big Matt Hegarty(6-0,200) is expected to anchor an improved Coronado line which was riddled by injuries in 1980. This could be the Dons' year.

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PHOENIX ST. MARY'S . . . There's excitement on the St. Mary's campus these days, and for good reason. For the first time in years, the Knights will have their own playing field. With the closing of North Phoenix High, St. Mary's will move their Friday night games from Phoenix College to Mustang Field at 12th Street and Thomas. Who knows? Maybe someday the Knights will move their whole school to 12th and Thomas. Six starters return from an excellent 8-2-1 club which reestablished the Knights' winning tradition and almost got them back on top. Glendale Apollo cut St. Mary's season short in the first round of the playoffs, but the Knights still got a chance to wear their gold "playoff pants." St. Mary's had one of their best lines in years, backed up by an excellent QB in Bob Guidice. Coach Pat Farrell, a former all-state defensive back at St. Mary's in 1969, should have a decent running game with Wendell Jones back after an 850 yard year. John Rodriguez should fill in at QB, and in LB-TE Joe Sells(6-2,195) the Knights have one of the best athletes in the Skyline Division. "But we went from a solid line to a very young and inexperienced one," warns Farrell. Albert Sanchez, a small(5-9,160) but tough and quick linebacker, and guard Gabe Valdez(5-8,165) are two "mighty mites." Still, the key figure will be Sells, who led the team in tackles as a junior and was chosen MVP on defense. A good athlete he was also all-league in basketball. But with the Knights' nail-bitting schedule(Mt. View, Phoenix Maryvale, Tempe, etc.) he'll need help from his teammates . . .

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MOON VALLEY . . . The Rockets blasted off with seven straight wins before losing the last two league games last year. Those defeats cost them a trip to the playoffs. Still, an 8-2 record looks good in the books for veteran mentor Earl Putman, the dean of prep football coaches in the Skyline Division. "This will be a young team," says the Rockets' coach. "But we have potential and should get stronger as the year progresses. About seven starters will be juniors on both offense and defense." Putman's biggest weapon is Scott Ray, at 6-0, 180 one of the best fullbacks in the division. With 4.7 forty speed, Ray is also Moon Valley's fastest player. Little(5-9,165) Chris Adams will join Ray in the Rockets' backfield, while center Tim Wyatt (6-2,205), and tackles Ken Sciffbauer(6-0,205) and Richard Bear(6-3,215) have potential.

17 **GILBERT** . . . The hottest brand going in the AA ranks is in Gilbert, where Coach Dan Dunn plans on winning his 100th game this fall. Dunn-coached teams have landed three state championships, six runnerup spots, and 92 games in a very short time. He is 92-27 going into the 1981 season. But if the Golden Tigers are to win another football crown they need to find an offense. Gilbert just couldn't move the ball. They played a lot of juniors and lost two conference games, 6-0 to eventual state champion Corona del Sol and 9-6 to runnerup Phoenix Gerard. But 16(!!) starters are back, including three first-team all-state performers: OT-LB Rick Bunch(6-3,225), OC-LB Rusty Goddard(6-1,190) and kicker Alex Yanez. Dunn calls Bunch an excellent major college prospect. With good size, the Tigers' top team leader also bench presses 280, squats 430 and works hard to improve his skills. Goddard, one of the hardest workers on the team, also competes in wrestling and track, where he threw the shot past 50 feet. Other Tigers with title hopes include TE Pat Walker (6-3,190), SE Victor Mesa(5-9,160), LB Larry Melow(5-10,185), OT Greg Lane(6-1,240), NG Vernon Hancock(5-9,175), DT Doug Huber(6-4,215), OT Val Bichekas(6-2,265) and FB Riki Woodworth(5-9,180). As you can see, not many backs or receivers are mentioned. Gilbert must fill these positions if they want to reach the playoffs this time around.

18 **FLAGSTAFF** . . . Last season the Eagles won more games than any team in the school's history. The AA-North champs finished 11-1 and sent their ace QB, all-stater Greg Topp, into the PAC-10 at Stanford. The near-perfect season saw Flagstaff win the conference championship for the fifth time in Eagle football history. The previous four conference titles came in 1934, 1935, 1962 and 1964. Many football fans in Flagstaff are adding 1981 to this list. With 15 returning starters it's no wonder. Top of the list is halfback Stan Gill, at 5-11, 200 one of the state's top recruits. Gill rushed for 1,680 yards as a junior. With 4.4 forty speed he could bust the magic 1,000-yard barrier if FHS can play one or two more games. But Gill is by no means the whole show. Linebacker Michole Shorty(6-0,205) and deep back Tony Cullen(5-11,190) are two other seniors who make the Eagles fly high. If Gill stays healthy he could go down in Flagstaff history as the school's best running back since the legendary James Dugan(1961-63).

19 **ELOY SANTA CRUZ** . . . The winningest football team during the Decade of the 1970's is trying to match that feat in the 1980's. The Dust Devils are off to a good start, posting a near-perfect 12-1 record while winning the 1980 Class A state title. It was their third consecutive state crown, their sixth in the Class A ranks. All-state performers(18 in the last decade) and major college players can look back on

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great high school teams at Santa Cruz H.S. A 23-20 loss to Buckeye at midseason prevented the Devils from breaking Tucson's state record of 32 straight games without defeat. This fall they will shoot for Tucson's modern-day mark of four consecutive crowns(1942-43-44-45). Head coach Jim Ewan, a former player at St. Mary's of Phoenix and assistant coach at Gilbert, is assisted by Steve Combs. Combs himself was a prep star at Phoenix Washington and Northern Arizona University. He has guided the Dust Devils' wrestling program to several state championships, but this season plans to stick with football only. "I was burnt out," insists Combs. "We didn't win all those titles in wrestling and football by accident. It was done with hard work on the part of coaches and players alike. But it seemed like I spend 12 months a year in the locker room. My family never saw me." But what they did see was another excellent Dust Devil football team. One which returns six starters(see cover) who earned all-state recognition of some kind in 1980. QB Joe Bennett(6-1,180) can run(4.7) and throw with the best. Bennett, guard Anthony Facio(5-8,190) and tackle Chuck Robinson(5-10,200) were first team all-state performers. Believe it or not, the quickest(4.5) player on the squad is nose guard Perry Beasley(5-8,165), with defensive back Felton Malone(6-1,175) close behind. Split end William Matthews (5-11,165) can also fly(4.6). Young Malone is William Matthews' uncle . . . so is Art, Benny, Jim, James and every other Malone who earned all-state honors as a prepster at Santa Cruz. Jerry Butler, a 5-8, 165-pound junior linebacker, is another defensive stalwart. Travis Cade, a 6-0, 205-pound senior who scored twice in the state title game, may not play ball his senior year. "We feel that the Central Conference will again be the toughest," says Ewan. "The eventual state champ could come from our conference. The leading candidates should be Buckeye, Parker and Apache Junction. We feel we have a legitimate shot at the championship. But it will be tough to win four in a row. It has only happened once. Also, Mohave will be tough with Boone Jackson taking over control of the program. And you can never count Miami from the South out of it." There's only 7,000 people in the community of Eloy, and not one single stop light. But there's a whole trophy case full of gold footballs over at the hgh school gymnasium. There could be one more before Christmas.

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ROUND VALLEY . . . The Elks, located in Springerville, are on a hot streak. So hot that the longest winning streak in Arizona football history could be in jeopardy. Between 1943-45, Tucson High won 32 games in a row(see above). The Badgers' streak was snapped by a Texas school, El Paso Austin. Right now Round Valley has logged back-to-back 12-0 seasons and two consecutive Class B titles. Former coach Diz Reeves did an excellent job one decade ago, and Tot Workman has picked up the slack. "Of all the teams



*Art Malone, 1965
Prep All-American*



*Larry Shorty
1969, All-State*



*Paul Ray Powell
1965 All-State*



*Ben Malone, 1969
Prep All-American*



*Ken Maddox
1973, All-State*



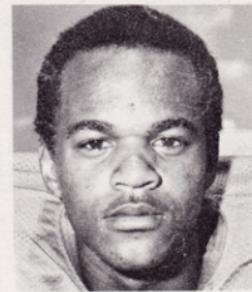
*C.T. Strange
1972, All-State*



*Mike Cade, 1978
Prep All-American*

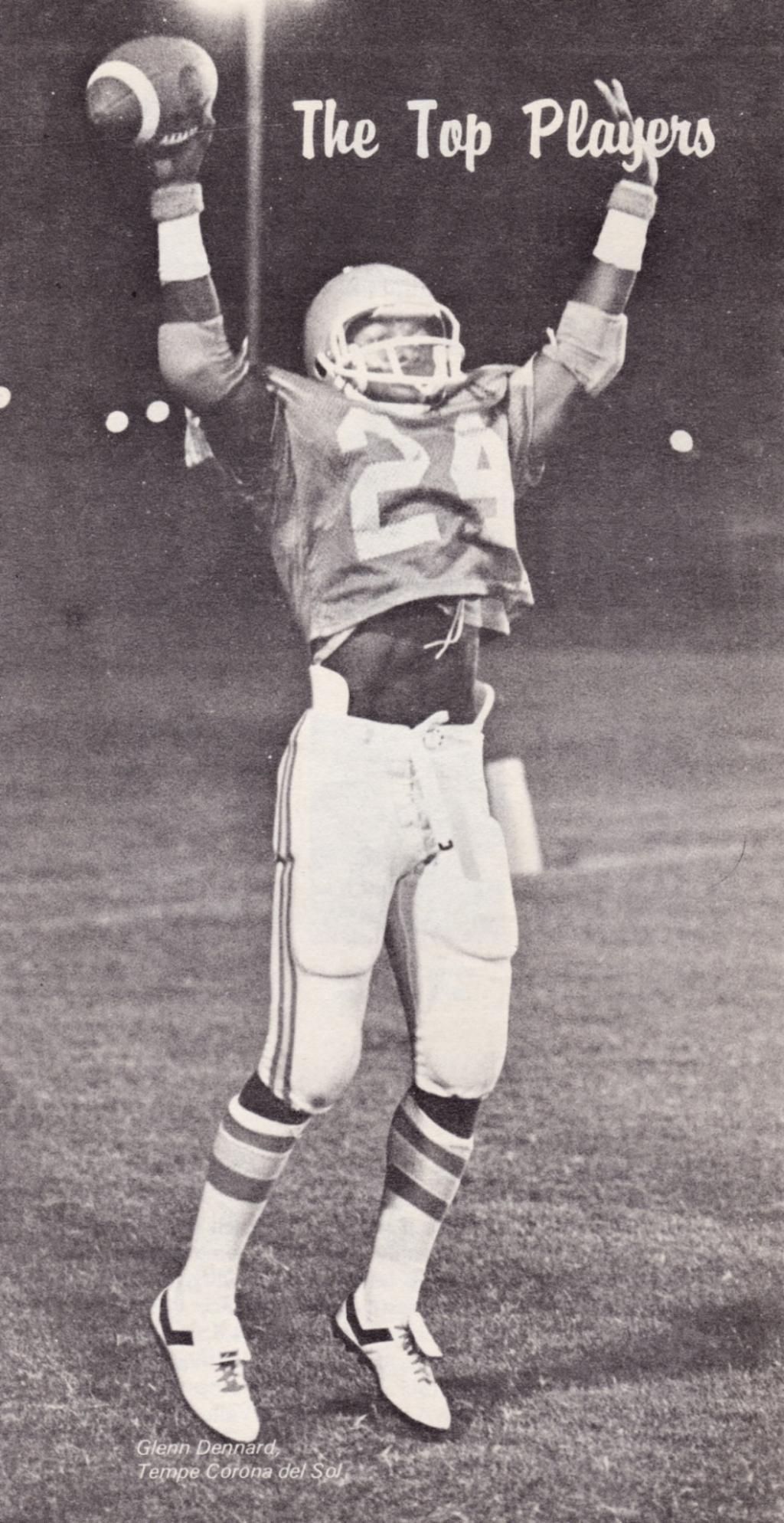


*James Malone
1979, All-State*



*Mossy Cade, 1979
Prep All-American*

I've coached, this one came the closest to playing to their full potential," says Workman about his 1980 team. "We will need a great effort from everyone if we hope to reach the playoffs again." That effort will probably come from three of the best football players in the Class B ranks: RB-LB Chris Matthews (6-0,200), TE-DE Dusty Eagar(6-4,200) and ace QB Eddie Hamblin(6-1,175). Mathews runs 40 yards in 4.6 seconds and was a terror in the B-North. Center Buster Madariaga(6-0,185) and tackle Steve Schofield(6-3,200) are two other Elks who could play for any Class AAA school. Round Valley first won a state championship in 1966 under Rance Smith. They have since won five; six may be right around the corner.



The Top Players

*Glenn Dennard,
Tempe Corona del Sol*

***BLUE-CHIP LIST: Preseason All-Arizona Team (Offense)**

QB . . Chris Stanfield, Mesa, 6-2, 190, sr. (4.9)
RB . . David Adams, Tucson Sunnyside, 5-9, 165, sr. (4.4)
RB . . Reggie Callaway, Tucson Cholla, 5-10, 185, sr. (4.6)
FL . . Glenn Dennard, Corona del Sol, 5-10, 160, sr. (4.7)
TE . . Frank Rudolph, Scottsdale Coronado, 6-3, 210, sr. (4.8)
SE . . Mike Effing, Tucson Flowing Wells, 6-2, 185, jr. (4.7)
OT . . Brian Denton, Mesa, 6-6, 230, sr. (4.9)
OT . . Jim Warne, Tempe Union, 6-6, 250, sr. (5.0)
OG . . David Valenzuela, Tucson Sunnyside, 6-2, 245, sr. (5.1)
OG . . Allen Scira, Tucson Sabino, 6-2, 235, sr. (4.9)
C . . Kevin Thomas, Canyon del Oro, 6-3, 230, sr. (5.0)
P . . Jerry Necoecheay, Bisbee, 6-1, 175, sr. (47.3 aver.)

(Defense)

LB . . Tim Casey, Tempe McClintock, 6-3, 215, sr. (4.8)
LB . . Joe Sells, Phoenix St. Mary's, 6-2, 195, sr. (4.7)
LB . . Robbie Lieurance, Tucson Amphi, 6-0, 205, sr. (4.7)
NG . . Larry Lopez, Glendale Apollo, 5-10, 186, sr. (5.0)
DL . . Rick Bunch, Gilbert, 6-3, 225, sr. (5.0)
DL . . Phil Rogers, Tucson Amphi, 6-3, 235, sr. (4.8)
DL . . Harry Switzer, Tucson Cholla, 6-1, 210, sr. (5.0)
DE . . Craig Vesling, Canyon del Oro, 6-3, 185, sr. (4.8)
DB . . George Duarte, Tucson Sunnyside, 5-10, 165, sr. (4.5)
DB . . Felton Malone, Eloy Santa Cruz, 6-0, 170, sr. (4.5)
DB . . Mike Rogers, Scottsdale Coronado, 6-1, 185, sr. (4.7)
DB . . Wendell Bush, Tucson Cholla, 6-2, 175, jr. (4.7)
RS . . David Adams, Tucson Sunnyside, 5-9, 165, sr. (4.7)

SUPERLATIVES:

Best Team . . Mesa Mountain View
Best Backs . . Tucson Cholla
Best Offensive Line . . Phoenix Thunderbird
Best Defensive Line . . Phoenix Trevor Browne
Best Secondary . . Tucson Sunnyside
Best Linebackers . . Tucson Amphitheater

TOP TEAMS

Class AAA . . Mesa Mountain View
AA . . Gilbert
A . . Eloy Santa Cruz
B . . Round Valley
C . . Maricopa

QUARTERBACKS:

Joe Bennett, Eloy Santa Cruz, 6-1, 180, sr	4.7
Neil Corbin, Scottsdale, 6-1, 170, sr	4.7
Ray Dean, Bullhead City Mohave, 5-11, 165, sr	4.9
Richie Edwards, Mesa Mt. View, 6-0, 170, sr	4.7
Eddie Hamblin, Round Valley, 6-1, 175, sr	5.0
Brock Heathcote, Glendale Apollo, 6-0, 170, sr	4.9
Jim Jeffries, Chandler, 6-0, 170, sr	4.9
Wayne Jonovich, Miami, 5-11, 180, sr	4.8
Sam Khalifa, Tucson Sahuaro, 6-1, 175, sr	4.6
Ken Leiken, Tucson Flowing Wells, 6-3, 195, jr	4.9
John Murphy, Phoenix Thunderbird, 6-3, 200, jr	4.8
Steve Palmer, Scottsdale Saguaro, 6-3, 180, sr	4.9
Drew Siler, Scottsdale Coronado, 6-2, 175, jr	4.7
*Chris Stanfield, Mesa, 6-2, 190, sr	4.9
Louie Varela, Douglas, 5-7, 145, sr	4.9

RUNNING BACKS:

*David Adams, Tucson Sunnyside, 5-9, 165, sr	4.4
Rohn Alder, Salome, 5-9, 170, jr	4.8
Frank Bredecko, Bowie, 5-8, 160, sr	4.9
Scott Bucher, Scottsdale Coronado, 6-0, 195, sr	4.6



With halfbacks like Scott Bucher crashing the line, watch for Coronado's Dons to bounce back. (Scottsdale Progress photo)

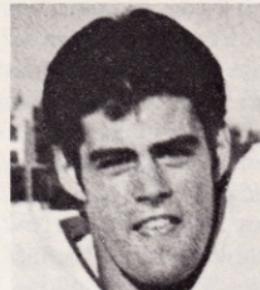
*Reggie Callaway, Tucson Cholla, 5-10, 185, sr	4.6
Ricky Carias, Tempe Union, 5-10, 155, sr	4.7
Tom Fruth, Payson, 5-10, 175, sr	4.8
Alan Gray, Tucson Cholla, 5-10, 165, sr	4.5
Vince Green, Scottsdale, 5-10, 185, sr	4.7
Stan Gill, Flagstaff, 5-11, 200, sr	4.4
Jerry Harper, Scottsdale Chaparral, 5-9, 160, sr	4.7
Marty Jackson, Chandler, 5-9, 160, sr	4.8
Kai Johnson, Yuma Kofa, 5-11, 175, sr	4.5
Wendell Jones, Phoenix St. Mary's, 5-7, 170, sr	4.7
Todd Leland, Scottsdale Arcadia, 5-11, 168, sr	4.8
Benson Leslie, Whiteriver Alchesay, 5-9, 185, sr	4.7
Chris Matthews, Round Valley, 6-0, 180, sr	4.6
Eddie Mavis, Maricopa, 5-7, 150, jr	4.8



David Adams
Sunnyside, RB



George Durate
Sunnyside, DB



Scott Bucher
Coronado, RB

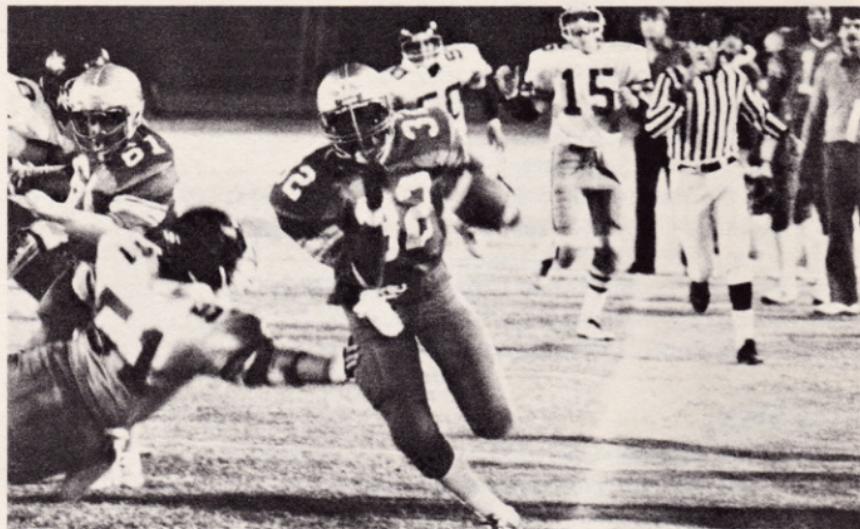
Brant May, Joseph City, 5-8, 150, sr	4.8
Carlos Medina, Glendale, 5-10, 180, sr	4.8
Tim Newman, Lakeside Blue Ridge, 6-2, 215, sr	4.9
Armando Ochoa, Thatcher, 5-7, 150, sr	4.8
John Philbrick, Phoenix Greenway, 6-1, 187, sr	4.8
Scott Ray, Moon Valley, 6-1, 180, sr	4.7
John Riley, Bullhead City Mohave, 6-2, 200, sr	4.9
Joe Rowley, Tucson Salpointe, 5-7, 155, jr	4.7
Scott Shill, Corona del Sol, 5-8, 160, sr	4.6
Ted Spradling, Miami, 5-9, 160, sr	4.7
Mike Swann, Scottsdale Saguaro, 5-10, 180, sr	4.8
Darin Tupper, Phoenix Trevor Browne, 5-11, 205, jr	4.8
James Wall, Tucson Santa Rita, 5-10, 175, sr	4.6
Brent Wood, Phoenix Washington, 5-10, 190, sr	4.7

LINEMEN:

Fred Antone, Maricopa, 6-1, 215, sr	5.2
Kevin Baker, Phoenix Thunderbird, 6-2, 200, sr	4.9
Perry Beasley, Eloy Santa Cruz, 5-8, 165, sr	4.5
*Rick Bunch, Gilbert, 6-3, 225, sr	5.0
Fred Christenson, Tucson Sabino, 5-10, 180, sr	4.8
Keith Clawson, Tucson ASDB, 5-7, 150, jr	5.2
*Brian Denton, Mesa, 6-6, 230, sr	4.9
Bennie Dickens, Phoenix Cactus, 6-3, 205, sr	4.9
Bob Donaldson, Salome, 5-11, 190, sr	5.0
Todd Elliott, Marana, 6-1, 205, sr	4.8
Anthony Facio, Eloy Santa Cruz, 5-8, 190, sr	4.8
Paul Franco, San Manuel, 6-1, 195, sr	4.9
Bradley Frazier, Phoenix Carl Hayden, 6-1, 270, sr	5.3
Rudy Garcia, Salome, 5-10, 180, sr	5.1
Bryan Greene, Williams, 6-4, 220, sr	5.2
Martin Gutierrez, Florence, 5-9, 220, sr	5.2
Jim Guyman, Phoenix Maryvale, 6-2, 270, sr	5.5
Joe Hernandez, Tucson Sunnyside, 5-11, 205, sr	5.0
Joe Jose, Phoenix Thunderbird, 6-3, 250, sr	5.1
*Larry Lopez, Glendale Apollo, 5-11, 186, sr	5.0
Joshua Martin, Tucson Cholla, 6-0, 210, sr	5.1
Randall McDaniel, Agua Fria, 6-3, 205, jr	4.9
Alan McVicker, Apache Junction, 5-11, 200, sr	5.0
Brian Mealey, Scottsdale Chaparral, 6-0, 185, sr	5.0
Allan Mlvilkeio, Florence, 5-11, 225, sr	5.2
Dave Moreau, Tuba City, 5-11, 215, sr	5.2
Wade Nelson, Scottsdale Saguaro, 5-11, 195, jr	5.0
David Newport, Phoenix Thunderbird, 6-1, 240, sr	5.0

Kevin O'Neil, Scottsdale Coronado, 6-1, 200, sr	5.2
Mark Pirog, Phoenix Thunderbird, 6-2, 210, sr	4.8
Mike Pomeroy, Phoenix Trevor Browne, 6-2, 240, sr	5.0
Chuck Robinson, Eloy Santa Cruz, 5-10, 200, sr	4.8
*Phil Rogers, Tucson Amphi, 6-3, 230, sr	4.8
Pat Ryan, Phoenix Greenway, 6-2, 212, sr	5.2
Allen Scira, Tucson Sabino, 6-2, 235, sr	4.9
Randy Shields, Ajo, 6-3, 240, sr	5.3
Leroy Shontz, Parker, 6-2, 250, sr	5.2
Michole Shorty, Flagstaff, 6-0, 205, sr	4.8
Carlos Stevens, Coolidge, 6-2, 250, sr	5.3
Harry Switzer, Tucson Cholla, 6-1, 210, sr	5.0
David Valenzuela, Tucson Sunnyside, 6-0, 245, sr	5.1
*Craig Vesling, Canyon del Oro, 6-3, 185, sr	4.8
Danny Villa, Nogales, 6-5, 220, sr	5.3
*Jim Warne, Tempe Union, 6-6, 250, sr	5.0
Dave Weber, Paradise Valley, 6-0, 215, sr	4.8

(Eloy Enterprise photo)



Felton Malone, Eloy Santa Cruz, returns a punt.

DEFENSIVE BACKS:

John Alva, Thatcher, 6-0, 155, jr	4.8
Johnny Begay, Monument Valley, 6-1, 175, sr	4.8
Lee Bishop, Scottsdale Chaparral, 5-10, 160, jr	4.8
*Wendell Bush, Tucson Cholla, 6-2, 175, jr	4.7
Scott Carlson, Scottsdale Christian, 5-8, 140, sr	4.8
Steve Charleton, Scottsdale Saguaro, 5-9, 150, sr	4.7
Doug Delbrook, Sunnyslope, 6-3, 165, sr	4.7
*George Duarte, Tucson Sunnyside, 5-10, 165, sr	4.5
Edgar Ellis, Coolidge, 6-0, 175, sr	4.8
Alfredo Flores, Maricopa, 5-9, 160, sr	4.8
Tom Fruth, Payson, 5-10, 165, sr	4.8
Shawn Gilbert, Agua Fria, 5-8, 160, jr	4.8
James Jackson, Coolidge, 6-0, 175, sr	4.9
Fred Lulla, Phoenix Thunderbird, 6-1, 175, sr	4.7
*Felton Malone, Eloy Santa Cruz, 6-0, 170, sr	4.5
David Marquez, Apache Junction, 5-10, 165, sr	4.8
Kenny Michaels, Phoenix Carl Hayden, 5-9, 170, jr	4.7
Gary Porter, Mesa Mt. View, 5-9, 170, sr	4.8
Sal Perez, Tolleson, 5-9, 155, sr	4.9
*Mike Rogers, Scottsdale Coronado, 6-1, 185, sr	4.7
John Smithbaker, Paradise Valley Horizon, 5-9, 155, sr	4.8
Jeff Taylor, Phoenix Christian, 6-0, 175, sr	4.9



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*Tim Casey, Tempe McClintock, 6-3, 215, sr	4.8
Todd Cooklin, Scottsdale Coronado, 5-9, 185, sr	4.7
Tim Denny, Lake Havasu City, 5-11, 180, sr	4.8
Byron Evans, South Mountain, 6-3, 195, sr	4.7
Victor Flemons, Winslow, 6-2, 215, sr	4.7
Craig Hazlett, Tucson Sahuar, 6-2, 215, sr	4.9
Jeff Heidrick, Tucson Salpointe, 5-9, 209, sr	4.8
Nick Leach, Salome, 5-10, 170, sr	4.9
*Robbie Lieurance, Tucson Amphi, 6-0, 205, sr	4.7
Jerry Lopez, Glendale Apollo, 5-10, 185, sr	4.9
Kevin Phillips, Phoenix Maryvale, 6-0, 190, sr	4.9
Nick Piazza, Scottsdale Saguaro, 6-1, 185, sr	4.8
*Joe Sells, Phoenix St. Mary's, 6-2, 195, sr	4.7
Michole Shorty, Flagstaff, 6-0, 205, sr	4.8
Russell Solis, Tucson Sabino, 5-10, 180, sr	4.8
Pablo Vidaure, East Phoenix, 6-3, 190, sr	4.9

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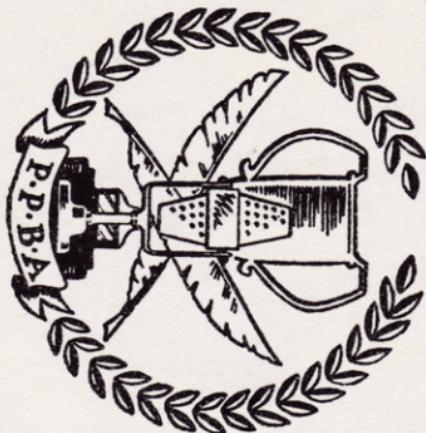
Mitch Belles, Phoenix Maryvale, 6-2, 200, sr	4.8
Tim Carter, Miami, 6-4, 210, sr	4.8
Mark Casey, Scottsdale Saguaro, 6-1, 180, sr	4.8
Darrell Croomes, East Phoenix, 6-3, 190, sr	4.7
Glenn Dennard, Corona Del Sol, 5-10, 160, sr	4.7
Dusty Eagar, Round Valley, 6-4, 200, sr	4.9
*Mike Effing, Tucson Flowing Wells, 6-2, 185, jr	4.7
Jon Horton, Tucson Sunnyside, 6-2, 210, sr	4.8
John Jones, Wickenburg, 5-11, 150, jr	4.8
Jim Leckie, Bullhead City Mohave, 6-0, 160, sr	4.8
William Matthews, Eloy Santa Cruz, 5-11, 165, sr	4.6
Randy Mead, Gila Bend, 6-0, 180, sr	4.8
Rick Morris, Scottsdale, 5-10, 165, sr	4.7
Eugene Peters, Maricopa, 5-11, 150, jr	4.8
Scott Standage, Mesa Mt. View, 6-1, 175, sr	4.7

CENTERS:

Baltazar Alcantara, Tucson Sunnyside, 6-2, 215, sr	5.0
Rick Helman, Phoenix Camelback, 5-10, 165, sr	5.2
Jim Millsap, Tucson Amphi, 6-0, 215, sr	5.0
*Kevin Thomas, Canyon del Oro, 6-3, 230, sr	5.0
Karl Zeider, Chandler, 6-1, 205, sr	5.2

KICKERS:

John Alva, Thatcher, 6-0, 155, jr(P)	
Ed Hamblin, Round Valley, 6-1, 170, sr.(P)	
Tom Hutchinson, Scottsdale Christian, 5-8, 150, jr(K)	
Jesus Hernandez, Douglas, 6-0, 180, jr.(P)	
Todd Leland, Scottsdale Arcadia, 5-11, 168, sr.(P)	
Brian Mealey, Scottsdale Chaparral, 6-0, 185, sr(P:41.8)	
*Jerry Necochea, Bisbee, 6-1, 175, sr(P:47.3)	
Jim Nimitz, Scottsdale Saguaro, 6-0, 170, sr.(PK)	
Scott Standage, Mesa Mt. View, 6-1, 175, sr.(K)	
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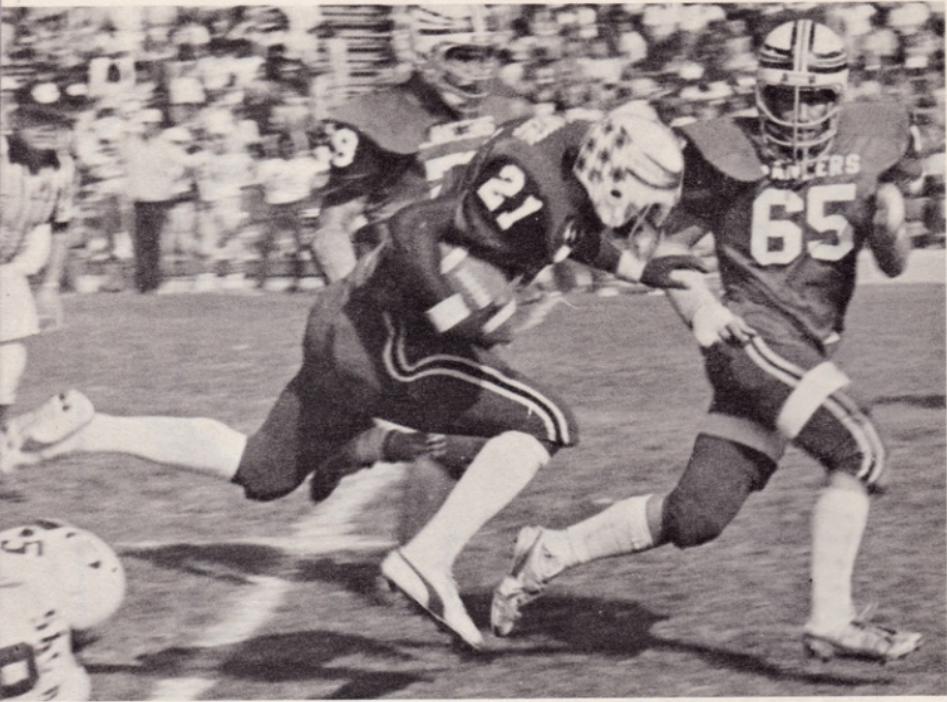
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Top 20 Teams in U.S.A.?

(A preseason look at the Top 20 high school teams in the country for the upcoming season, as selected by the National Sports News Service, 4115 E. Catalina Dr., Phoenix, AZ., 85018, phone: (602)955-3303 or 967-7256)

- 1 . . Cincinnati Moeller, OH**
- 2 . . Rancho Cordova, CA**
- 3 . . Tallahassee Leon, FL**
- 4 . . Temple, TX**
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- 7 . . Houston Stratford, TX**
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- 9 . . Massillon Washington, OH**
- 10 . . Birmingham Brother Rice, MI**
- 11 . . Warren County, TN**
- 12 . . Central Bucks West, PA**
- 13 . . Sherman, TX**
- 14 . . Fountain Valley, CA**
- 15 . . Merritt Island, FL**
- 16 . . Brockton, MA**
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